

68. A method for producing a monoclonal antibody, which comprises:
- (a) inducing the production of antibody by the method of any one of claims 57-58,
 - (b) removing a cell from said recipient subject, said cell being capable of producing said antibody; and
 - (c) forming a hybridoma between said cell (b) and an immortalized myeloma cell, wherein said hybridoma cell produces said antibody.
69. An implant, which comprises a transfected cell.
70. The implant of claim 69, wherein said implant is a subcapsular implant.
71. The implant of claim 70, wherein said implant is an intraperitoneal implant.--

REMARKS

This application has been amended by cancelling claim 36 and adding claims 37-71. The new claims are identical to the claims that were originally filed in this application.

As the Examiner is aware, one of applicant's related applications is currently involved in an interference proceeding in the PTO. The outcome of the interference proceeding may have an effect on the patentability of claims 37-71, which have been added to this application.

In order to avoid unnecessary expenditure of resources by the PTO and applicant, applicant respectfully requests that prosecution of this application be

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suspended pending outcome of the interference proceeding. See MPEP 2315.01. If prosecution is suspended, applicant will undertake to inform the Examiner of the status of the interference at six-month intervals in order that the Examiner can determine whether to resume examination of this case. Favorable action on this request at the Examiner's convenience is courteously solicited.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 60-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested, and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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